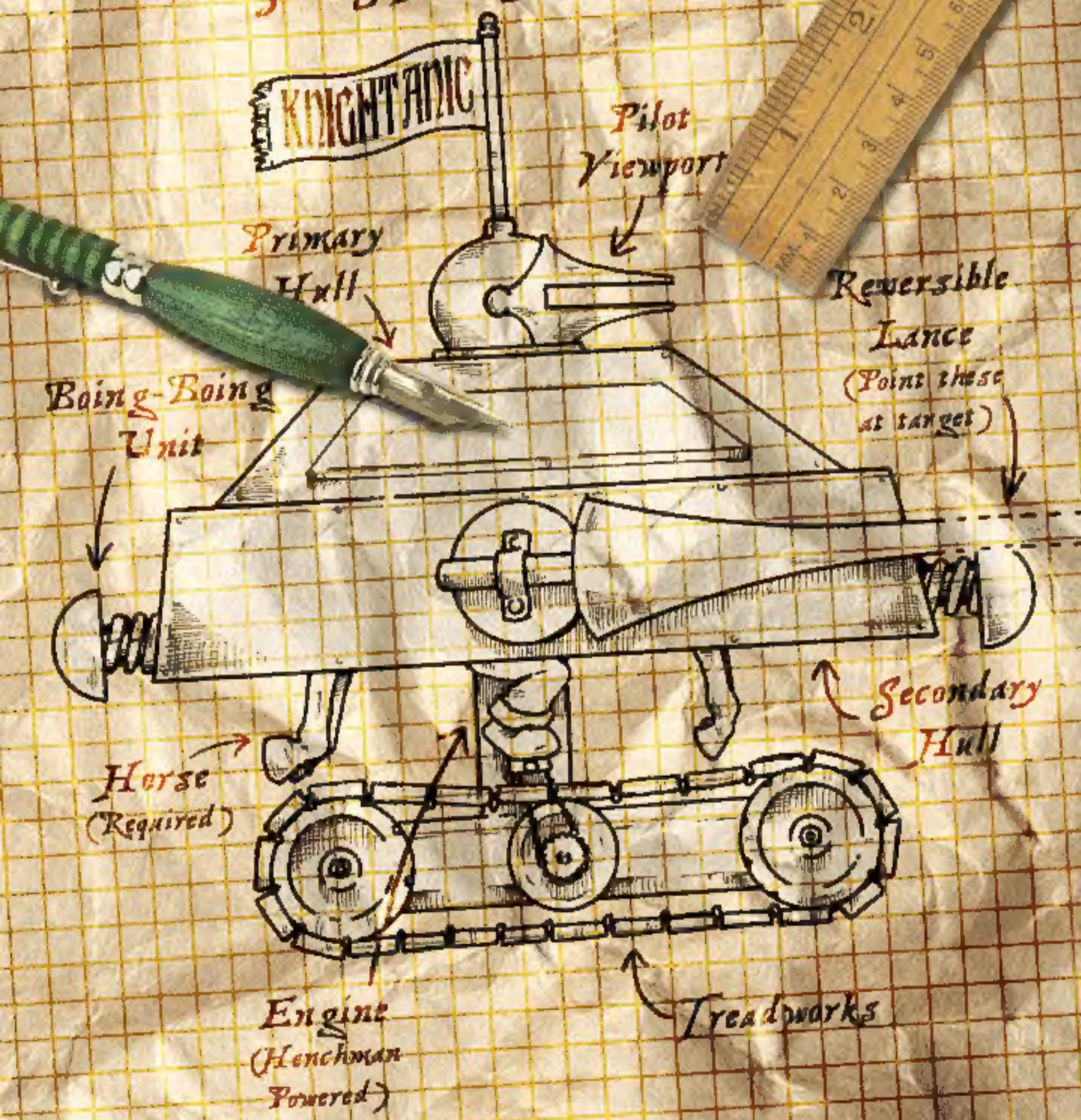




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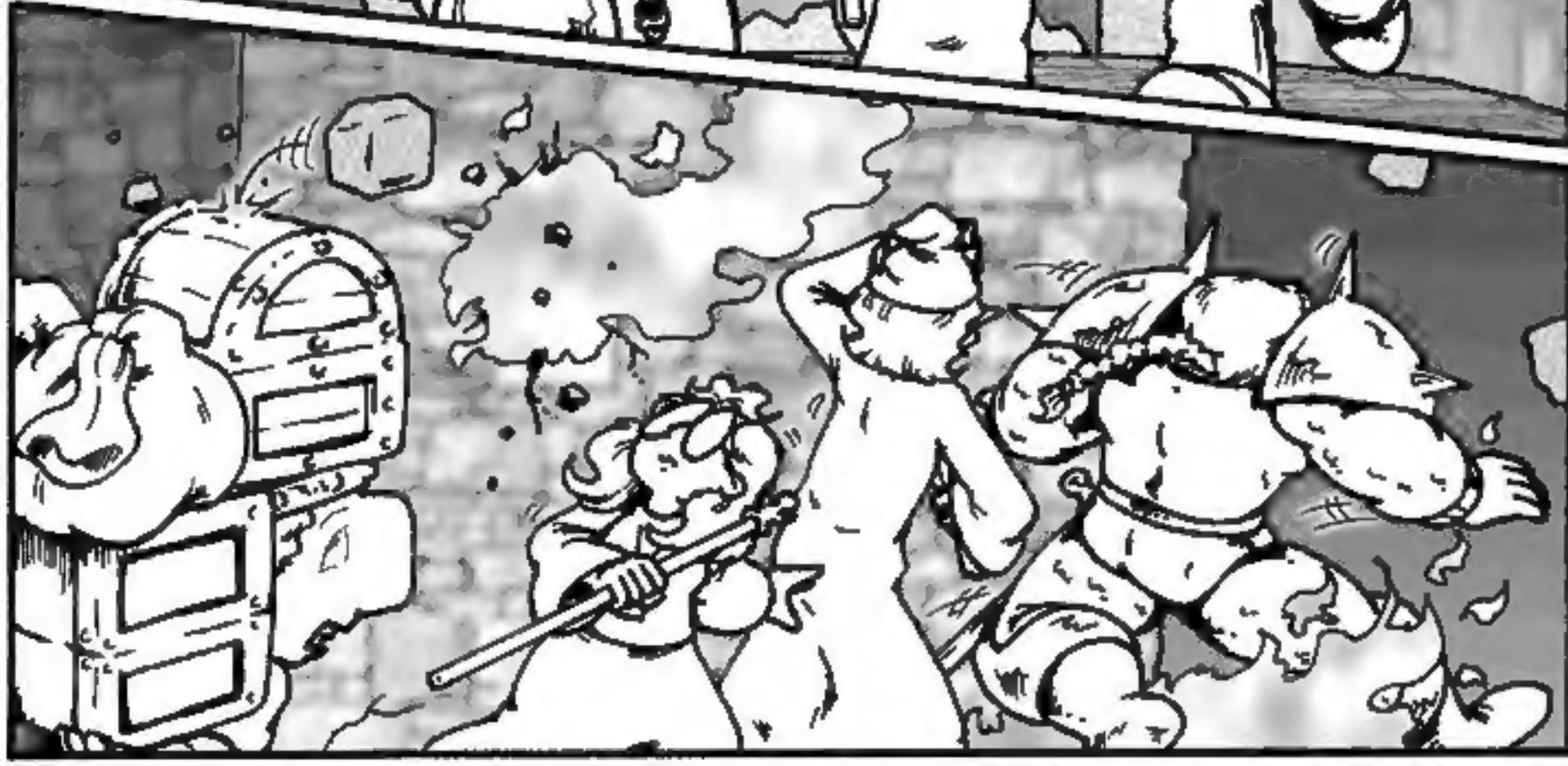
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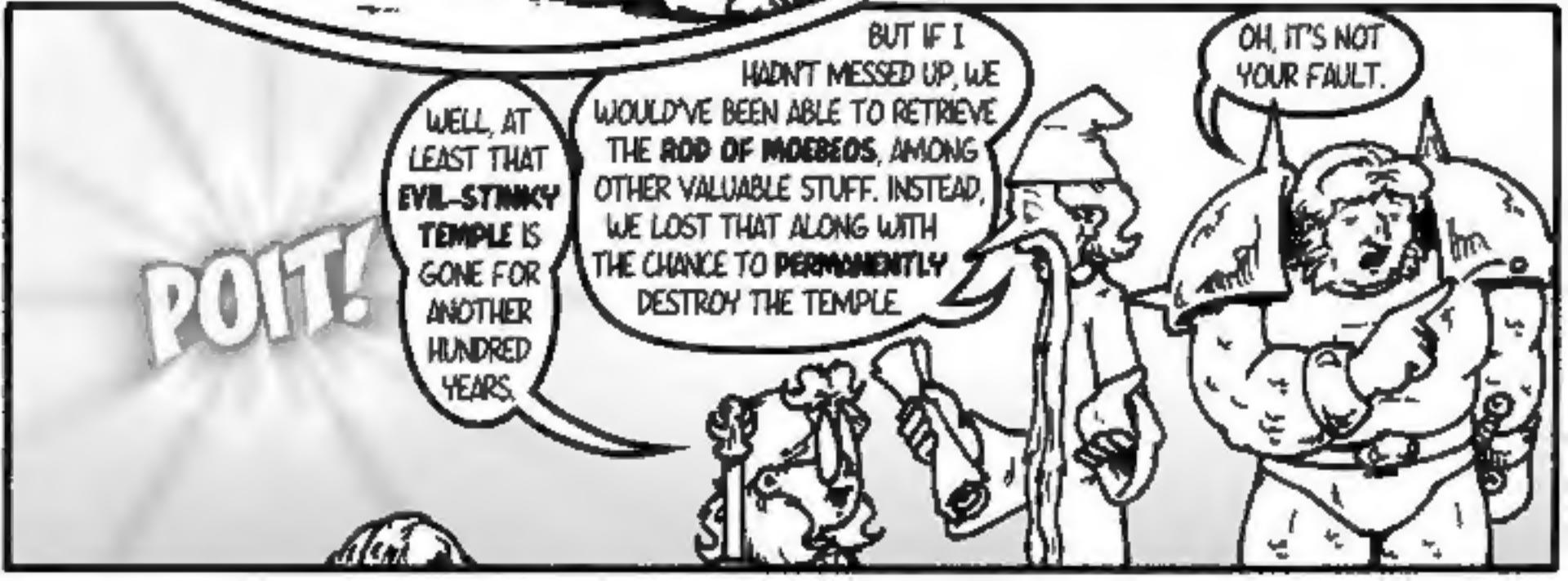
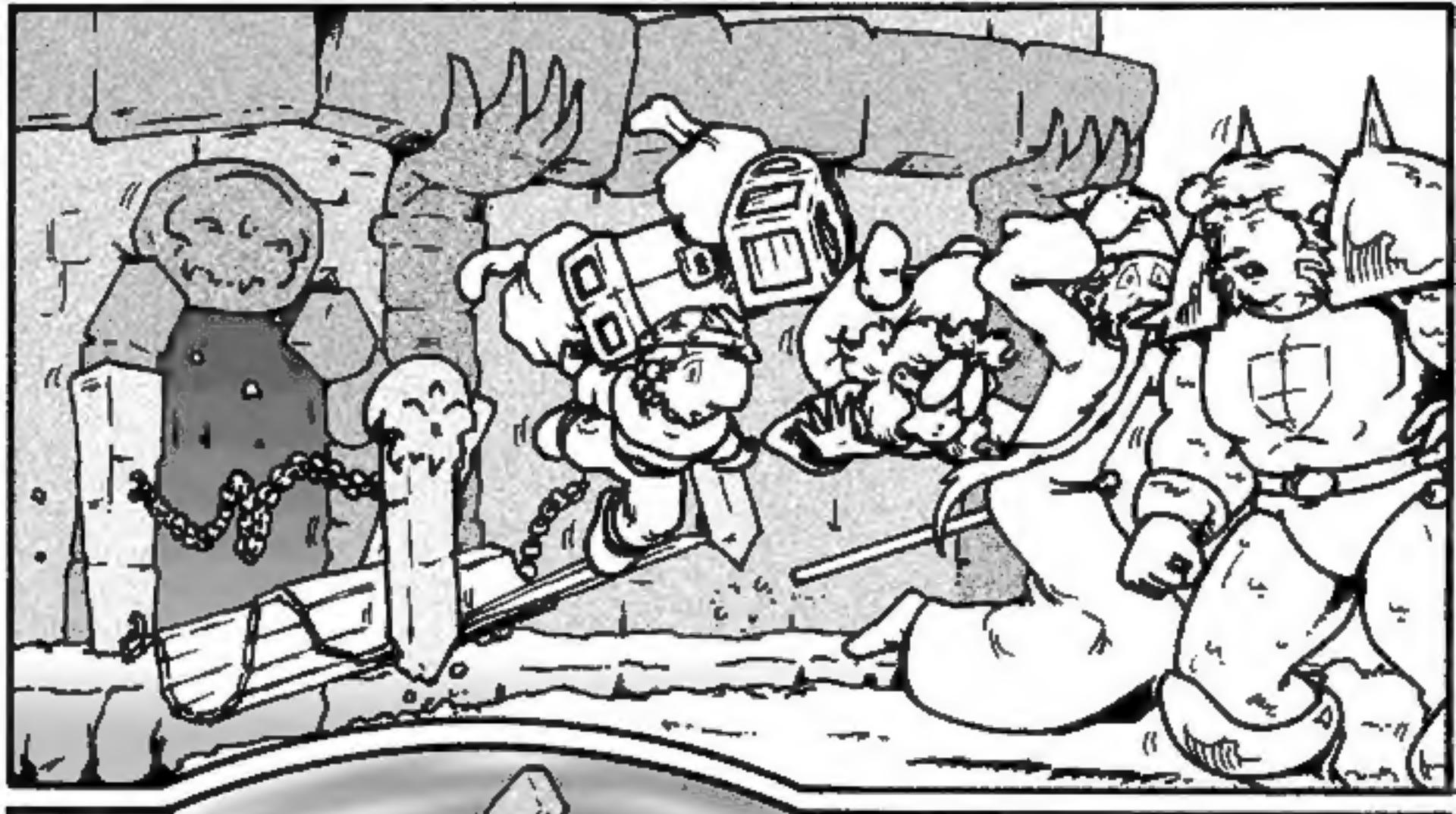
MOVE IT,
PEOPLE!

I COULD'VE
SAID I CORRECTLY
TRANSLATED THE SEQUENCE
FOR THE GEMS TO BE
INSERTED INTO
THE ALTAR.

IT'S OKAY
ARTAX, YOU DID
YOUR BEST, AND
THAT'S ALL THAT
MATTERS.

ACTUALLY, IT
SEEMS TO MATTER A
GREAT DEAL SEEING THAT
THE GROUND IS HEAVING
WORSE THAN A ROYAL FOOD
TASTER ON "HAGGIS
NIGHT!"





WELL,
THANKS FOR
TRYING TO MAKE
ME FEEL
BETTER.

OH, I'M NOT.
I PROBABLY PLACED
THE GEMS IN THE
WRONG ORDER. I
NEVER COULD TELL
THEM APART.

BUT I TOLD
YOU THE ORDER:
TOPAZ, OPAL,
AMETHYST...

SHINY ROCK,
SHINY ROCK, SHINY
ROCK. I DIDN'T KNOW THEY'D
MAKE THE PLACE GO
"BOOM." ALL I KNOW ABOUT
GEMS IS THAT THEY'RE
WORTH MONEY.
SORRY.



HELLO! ARE YOU PEOPLE
RESPONSIBLE FOR THE TEMPLE OF
MORDARICH BEING ALLOWED TO EXIST FOR
ANOTHER HUNDRED YEARS?

SHINY
ROCK...

YOU'D BE
REFERRING TO
DIPPY THE
WONDER CHIMP
HERE.

MR. DIPPY?
THE KING HAS AN
INVITATION FOR
YOU. GOOD
LUCK!

A
WHAT?



NOTHING
YOU TOUCH
LASTS, DOES
IT, YEAGAR?

THAT WAS A MESSENGER
AVATAR! THEY ONLY COME TO PEOPLE
WHEN CERTAIN CONDITIONS ARE MET.
A LOT OF GODS USE THEM.

A KING HAS
THEM AT HIS BECK AND
CALL? AND WHO IS THE
KING OF THESE PARTS,
ANYWAY?

ACCORDING TO THIS,
KING PRAVIS OF THE WESTERN
EMPIRE IS WHO RUNS THIS NECK OF
THE WOODS... AND HE WANTS ME
TO COMPETE IN A JOUSTING
TOURNAMENT!

"TO THE VICTOR
GOES THE GREATEST PRIZE A
WARRIOR COULD DESIRE" SOUNDS
TANTALIZINGLY VAGUE...

BUT WE
DON'T EVEN
HAVE A
HORSE, DO
WE?

HE WON A
FREE RENTAL
AT YE-MAUL,
BUT THAT'S
NOT THE HALF
OF IT...

LATER, BACK AT THE HOMESTEAD...

I'VE BEEN
WORKING ON
THIS FOR A
COUPLE OF
YEARS NOW...

THIS IS WHAT
YOU BORROWED MY
MITHRI L DRAFTING TOOLS
FOR, WASN'T IT?

YOU REMEM-
BER ALL THOSE
ODD ACCIDENTS
I WAS HAVING A
WHILE BACK?

YEAH, I HAD TO
SELL THEM TO GET
SOME PARTS I NEEDED.
BUT I SHOULD BE ABLE
TO MAKE IT UP TO YOU
WHEN WE WINN NOW,
BEHOLD!



SO THIS IS WHERE I GLORIOUSLY DEFEAT MY OPPONENTS, EH?

DID I HAVE TO PEDAL THE WHOLE WAY?

KNIGHT-RADIC

JUST THE UPHILL PARTS.

YEAGAR, THIS THING DOESN'T STEER TERRIBLY WELL, DOES IT?

WELL, NO, BUT ABOUT NINETY PERCENT OF JOUSTING IS GOING IN A STRAIGHT LINE, ANYWAY.

AND WHAT PERCENT IS AVOIDING BEING PUNCTURED?

OOOH! THE TRUMPETERS ARE SOUNDING THE TEN-MINUTE WARNING! WE HAVE TO GET INTO POSITION!

YOU KNOW THE RULES TO THIS SO-CALLED "SPORT?"

WE TREATED A LOT OF JOUSTING INJURIES WHEN I WAS GROWING UP IN MY ORDER. CHATTING WITH THE LANCERS MADE THEM FEEL BETTER. IT WAS ALSO GOOD TO KEEP THEM TALKING WHEN THEY'D WHACKED THEIR HEADS A LITTLE HARDER THAN IS HEALTHY...

AND YOU GOT HOOKED, EH?

I ADMIRE THE SKILL AND TRAINING IT TAKES. I TRIED TO MAKE A SIMULATOR, BUT THE GUYS DIDN'T SEEM INTERESTED IN ANYTHING BUT THE REAL DEAL.

A SIMULATOR?

WITH STUFFED HORSE-DOLLS, PICK-UP STICKS, AND SOME COLORED CARDS. FIRST, YOU DRAW A CARD—

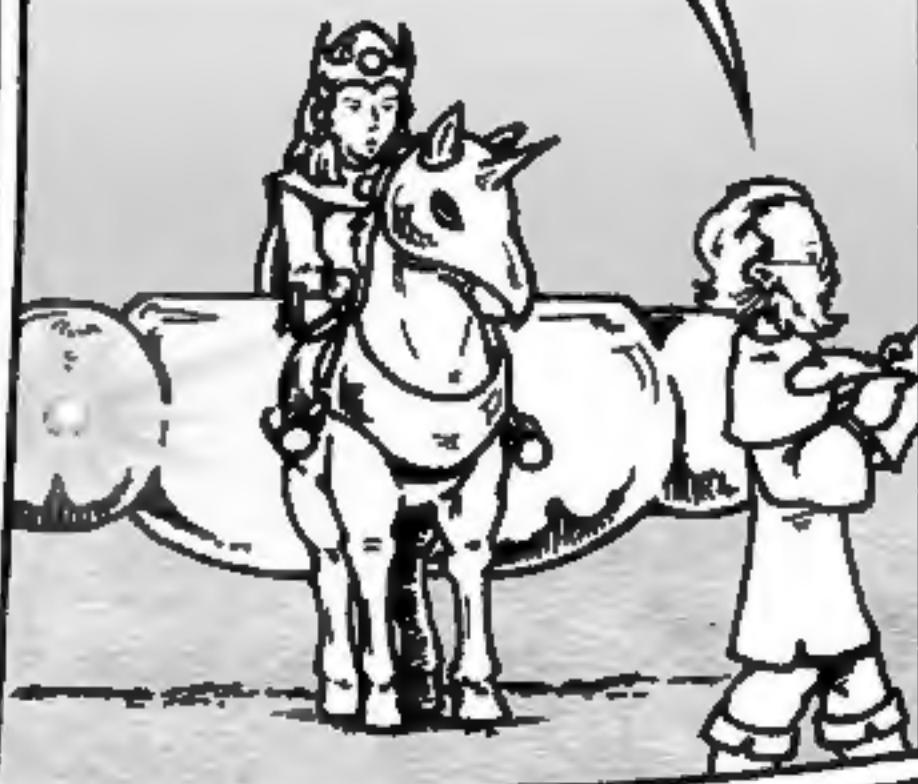
NEVER MIND.

THE COMBATANTS ARE REVIEWED BY THE JUDGE.

DWARVEN
CHIEFTAIN THORDIN
AND HIS CATAFPLAT
BATTLE WAGON,
APPROVED.



THE "ARCANUS
MAXIMUS" PILOTED
BY THE SORCERESS
VOCIS, APPROVED.

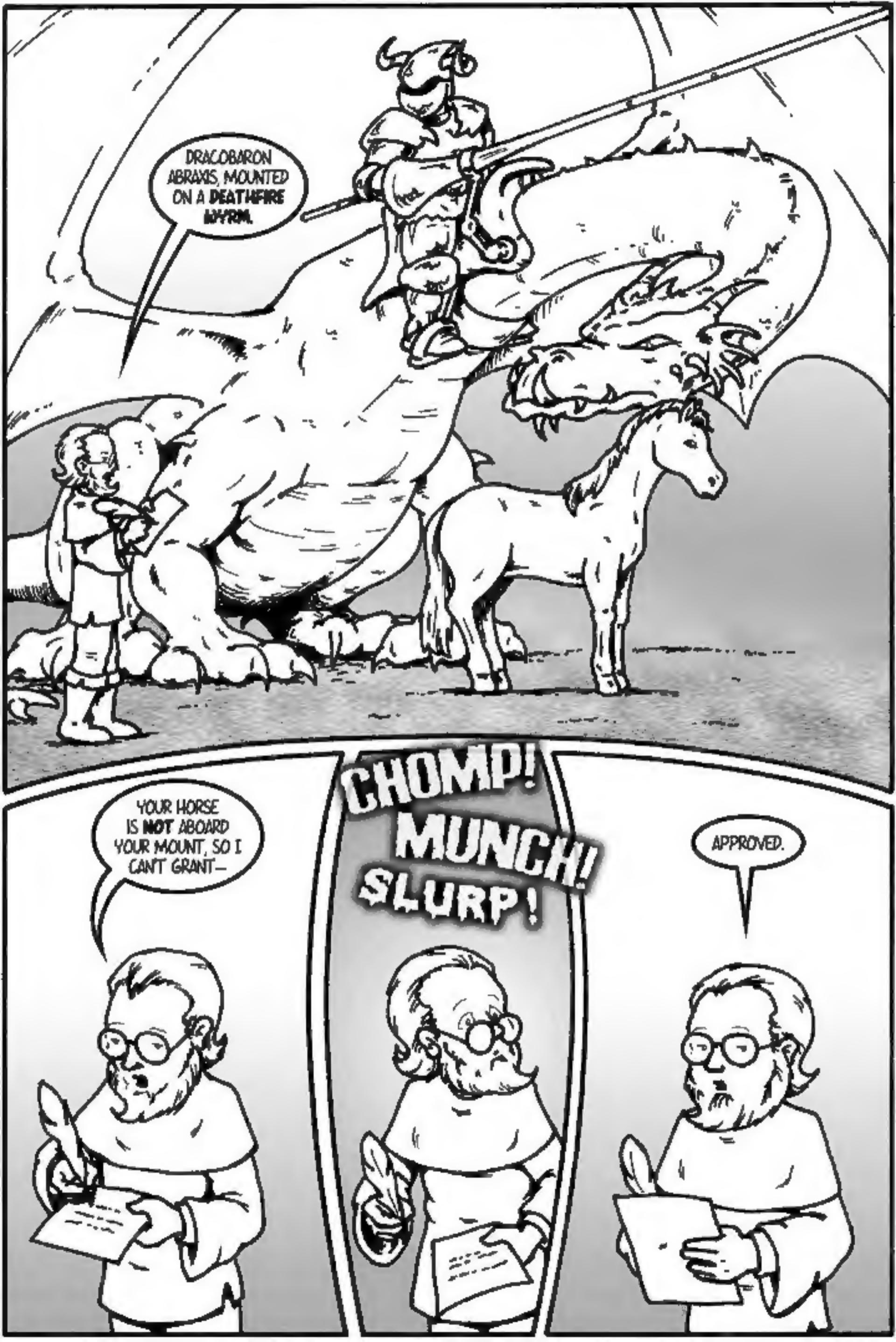


THE BARBARIAN
PRINCE GULATH, FIGHTING IN THE
TRADITIONAL STYLE, APPROVED,
AND PITIED.



THE KONGHTAMIC,
PILOTED BY THE WARRIOR
YEAGR, APPROVED.





DRACOBARON
ABRAXIS, MOUNTED
ON A DEATHFIRE
MYRM.

YOUR HORSE
IS NOT ABOARD
YOUR MOUNT, SO I
CAN'T GRANT—

CHOMP!
MUNCH!
SLURP!

APPROVED.

NOBLE CONTESTANTS! MOUNT UP AND PREPARE FOR BATTLE! THE WINNER OF THIS TOURNAMENT WILL TAKE POSSESSION OF A PRIZE THAT WILL MAKE HIM OR HER INTO A THING OF LEGEND FOR CENTURIES TO COME! EACH OF YOU HAVE BEEN CHOSEN FOR YOUR PROWESS, YOUR BATTLE SENSE, AND YOUR ABILITY TO LEAD. WIN TODAY, AND WIN GLORY ITSELF!

WITH ONLY FIVE CONTESTANTS? THIS IS GOING TO BE A SHORT TOURNAMENT.

NOT IF THEY WERE CHOSEN WITH MESSENGER AVATARS. THIS WILL BE A TOURNEY FOR THE RECORD BOOKS SINCE THE JOUSTERS WERE PICKED WITH THOSE!

NORMALLY, I'D AGREE WITH YOU.

"...IF I DIDN'T PERSONALLY KNOW THE KIND OF JOUSTER HE'S PICKED."

READY, NODWICK?

HOW DOES THIS WORK AGAIN?

SINCE THERE'S ONLY FIVE OF US, WE'RE GOING TO FIGHT IN A "BLOOD STAR" ARENA SETUP.

AS SOON AS THE TRUMPETS SOUND...

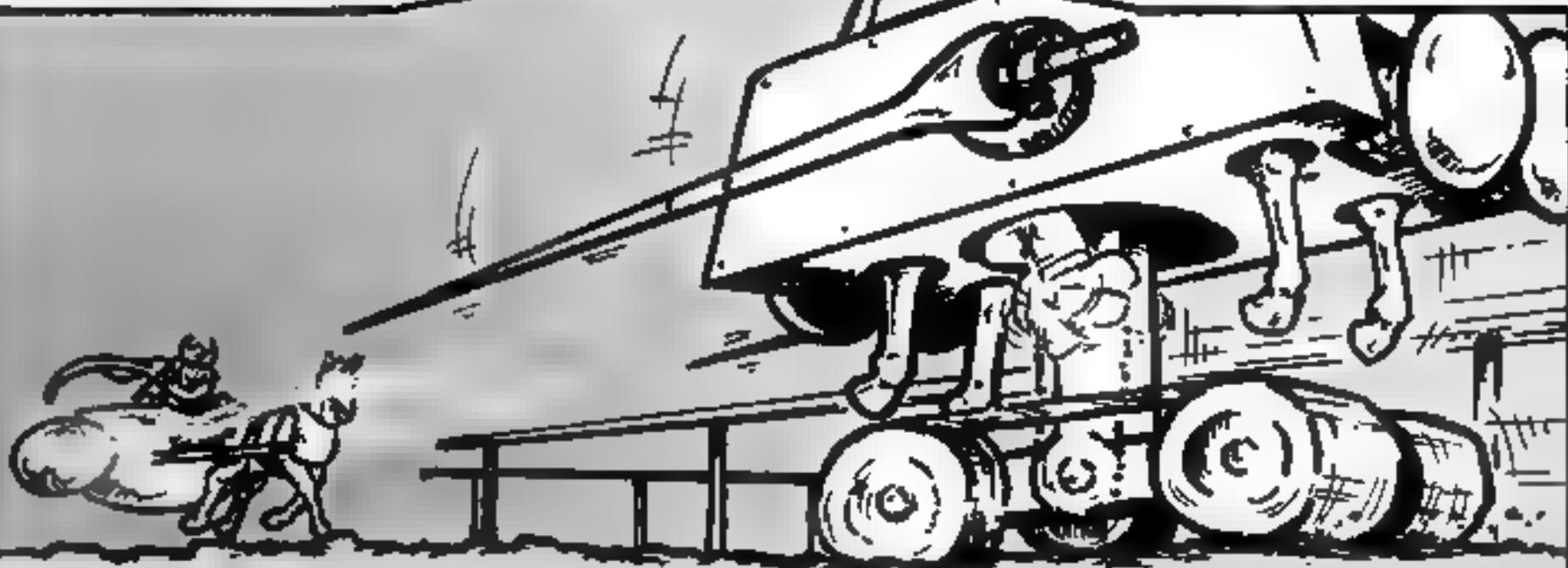


AND IT LOOKS LIKE
PRINCE GULATH IS OUT OF
THE RUNNING! CLERICS, WE'VE GOT
YOUR FIRST PATIENT! IF ANYONE
OUT THERE IS SURPRISED,
WELL, I'VE GOT SOME HOLY
RELIKS TO SELL YOU.



WE'RE
HEADED FOR A
WALL, ARENT
WE?

DON'T PANIC.
WHEN WE REVERSE DIRECTION,
USE THE MOMENTUM AND START
PEDALING BACKWARDS!



WOW! IT'S
A DIRECT HIT ON THE
KNOTHTANAC!

BUT SHE PAID
FOR THAT ONE! SHE'S
LOST WHAT I BELIEVE
IS HER POSITIVE
TERMINAL

UM, I
CAN SEE
DAYLIGHT
AND OUR HORSE
IS STARTING
TO SMELL
DELICIOUS.

JUST HOLD TOGETHER DOWN
THERE. I'M USING THE BEST
KNOWLEDGE ABOUT JOUSTING.
WE CAN'T LOSE!

WE AREN'T
DOING SO HOT.
ARE WE?

NO, BUT
THEY SHOULD DO
FINE. I GAVE
VENGR EVERY
BIT OF ADVICE
THE GUYS IN OUR
HOSPITAL PASSED
ON TO ME.

YOU DO REALIZE
THAT THE WINNERS
DON'T NORMALLY GO
TO THE HOSPITAL,
RIGHT?

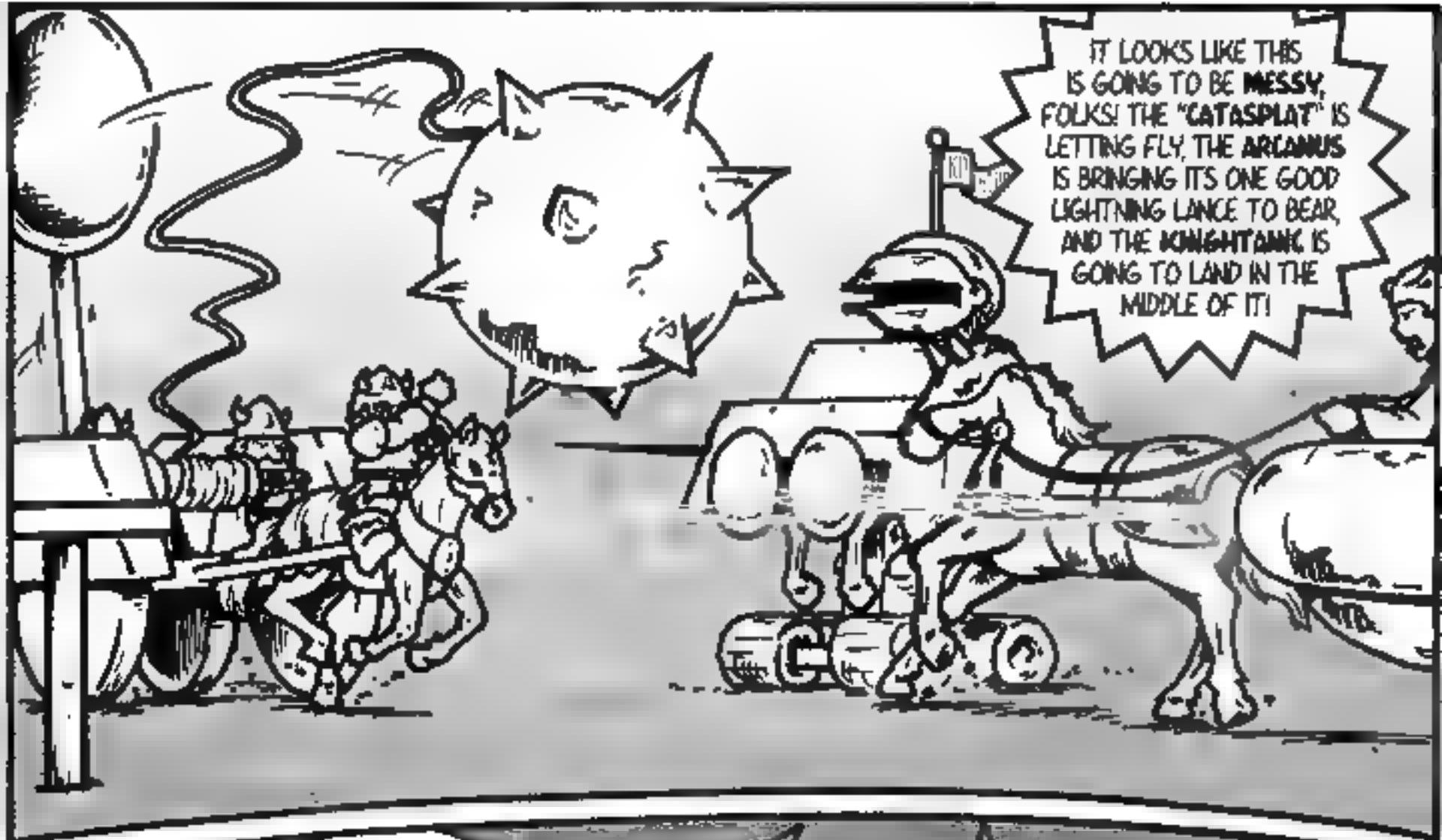
OH, DEAR.
I DIDN'T THINK
ABOUT THAT.

YOU DO REALIZE
THAT THE WINNERS
DON'T NORMALLY GO
TO THE HOSPITAL,
RIGHT?

OH, YEAH. OKAY, TIME
TO CHANGE STRATEGY.

TO WHAT?

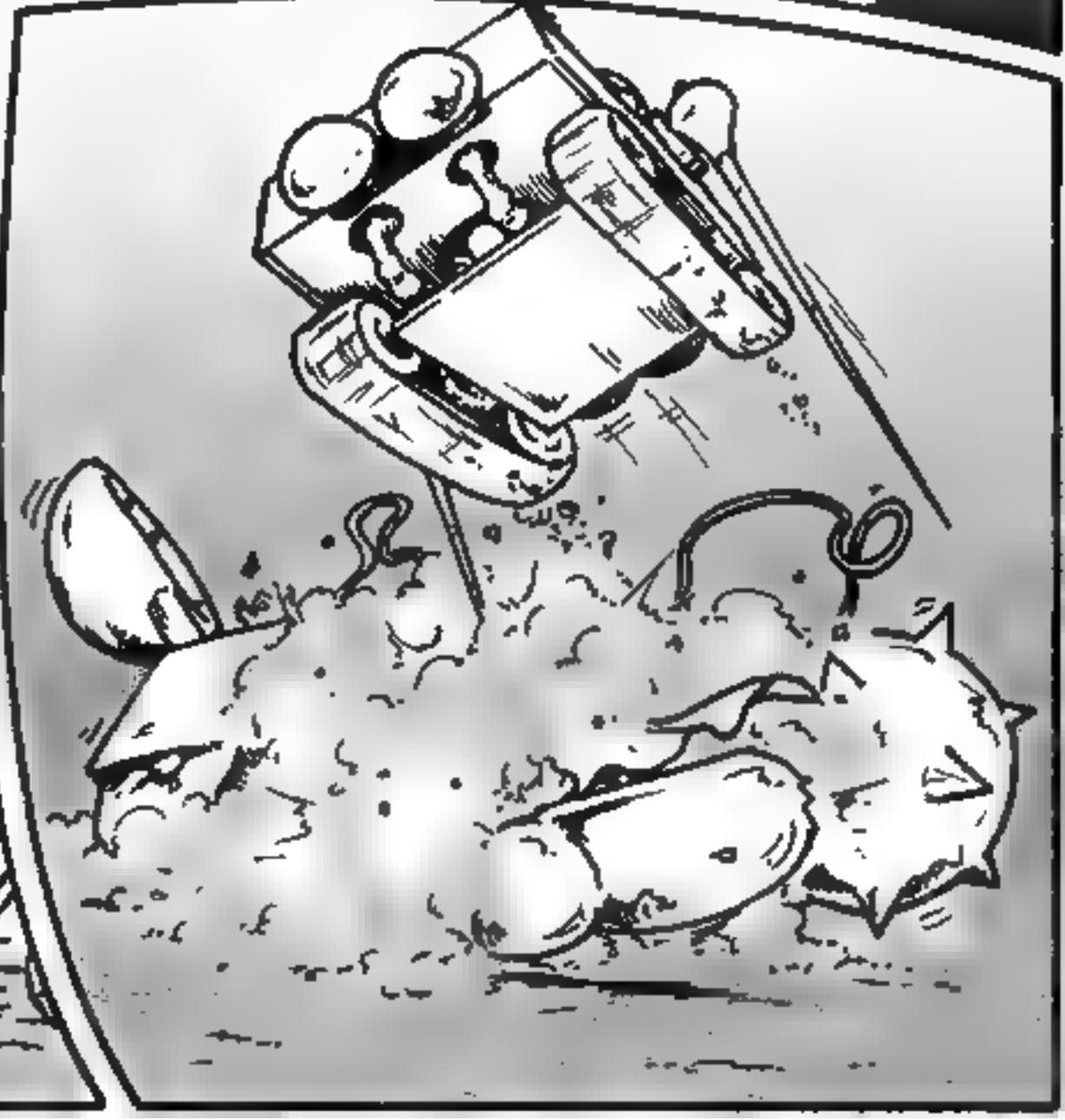
NOT LOSING. I'M
A LITTLE HAZY ON THE
DETAILS, BUT...

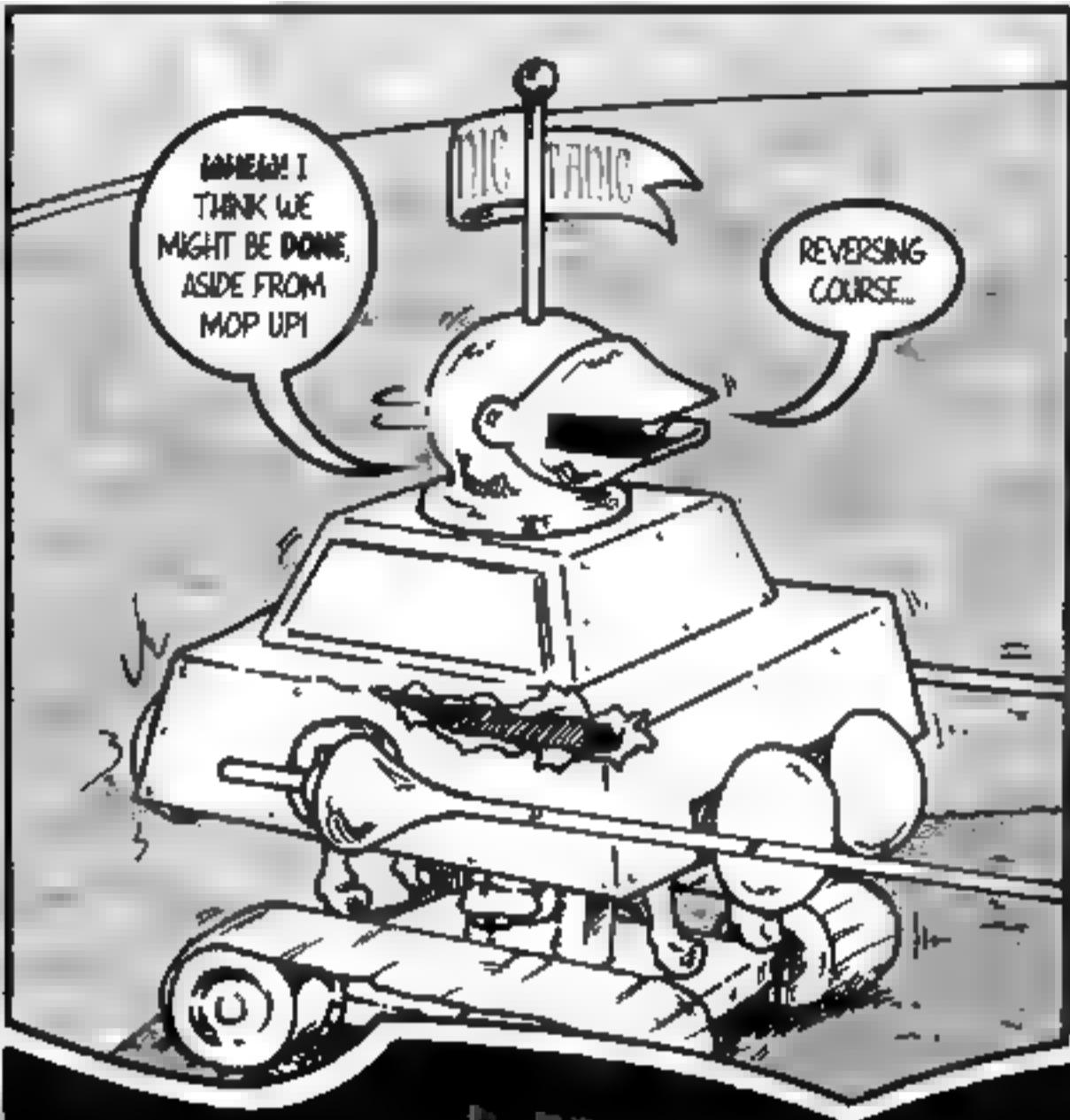


IT LOOKS LIKE THIS IS GOING TO BE MESSY, FOLKS! THE "CATASPLAT" IS LETTING FLY, THE ARCANUS IS BRINGING ITS ONE GOOD LIGHTNING LANCE TO BEAR, AND THE KONGHTAMIC IS GOING TO LAND IN THE MIDDLE OF IT!



SO, IF "KEEP YOUR LANCE UP" WAS ACTUALLY BAD ADVICE...



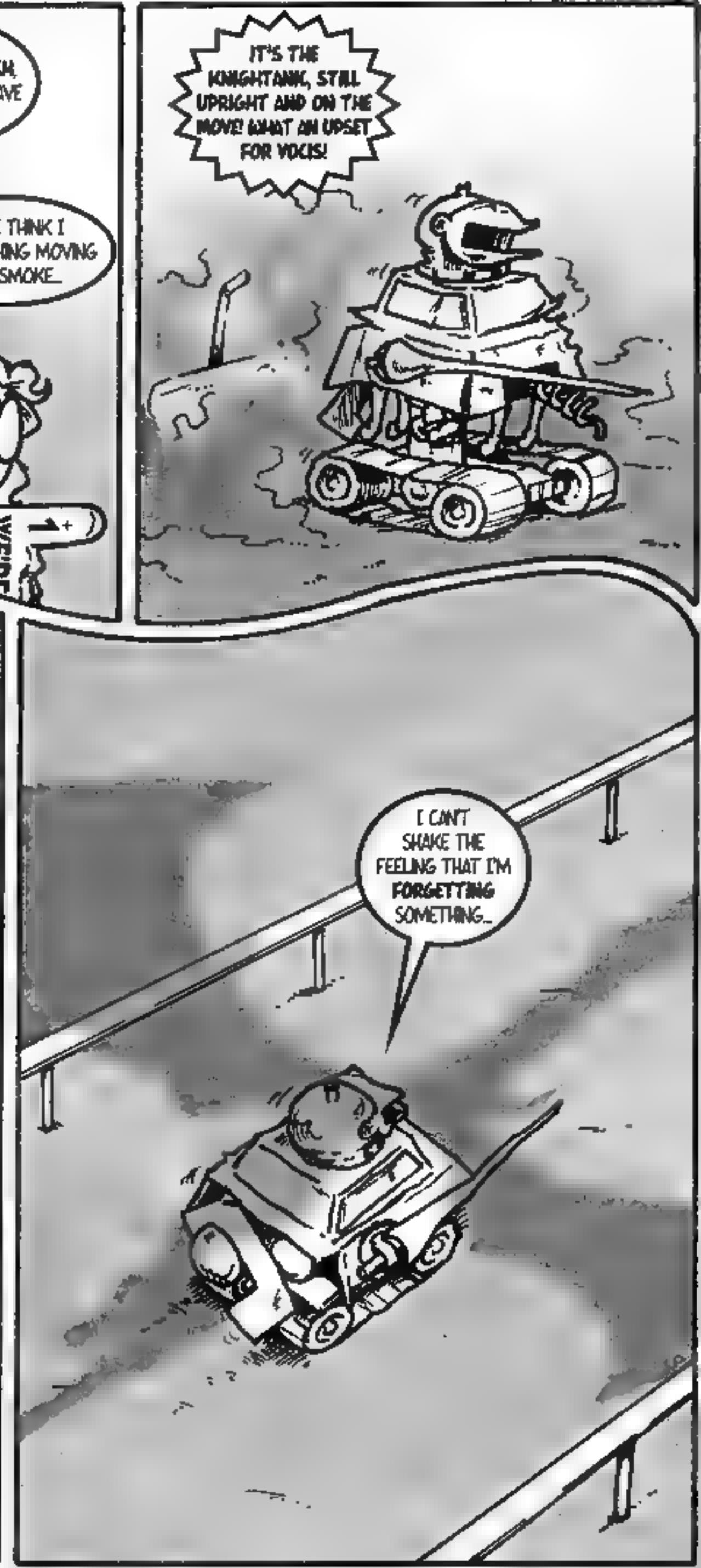


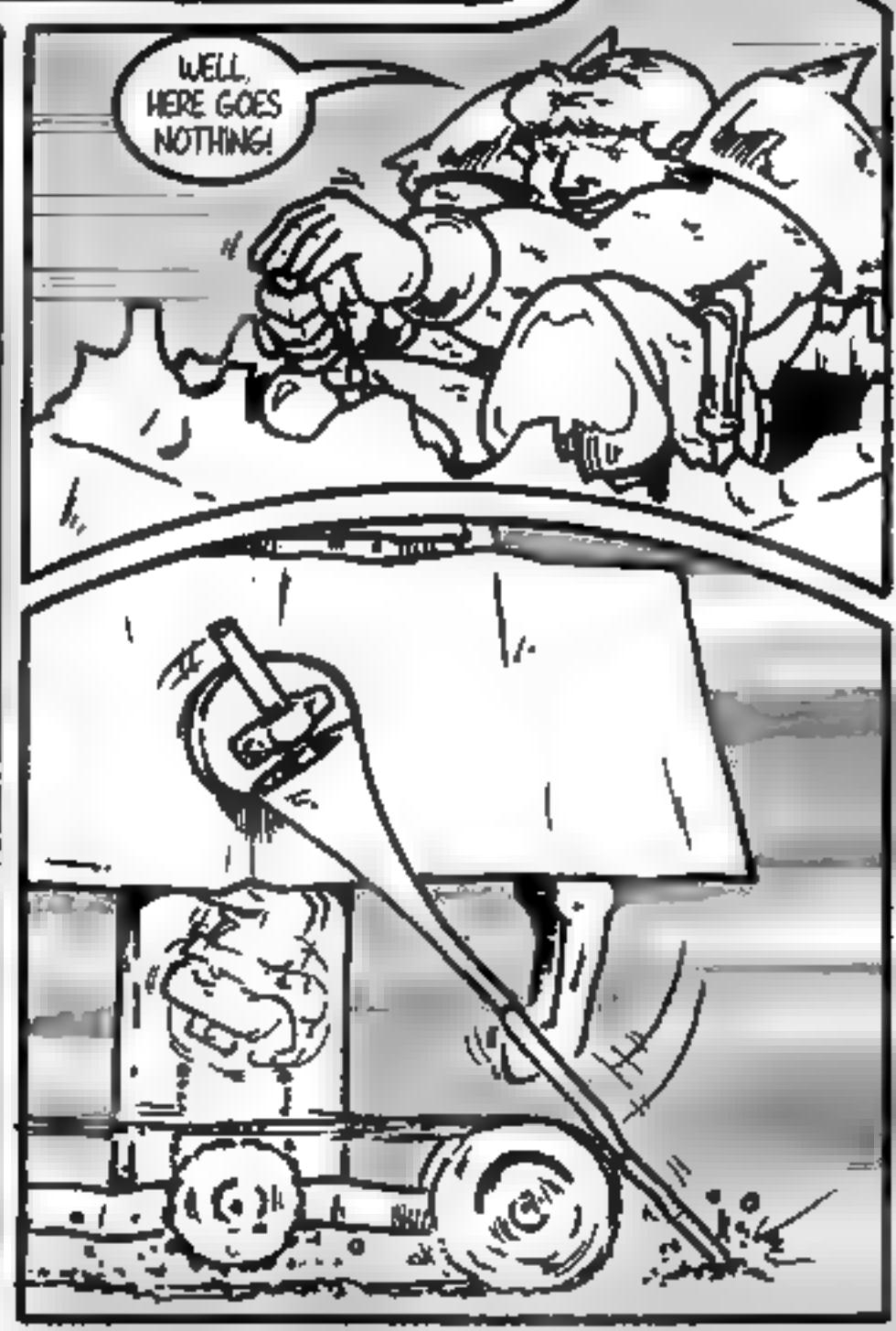
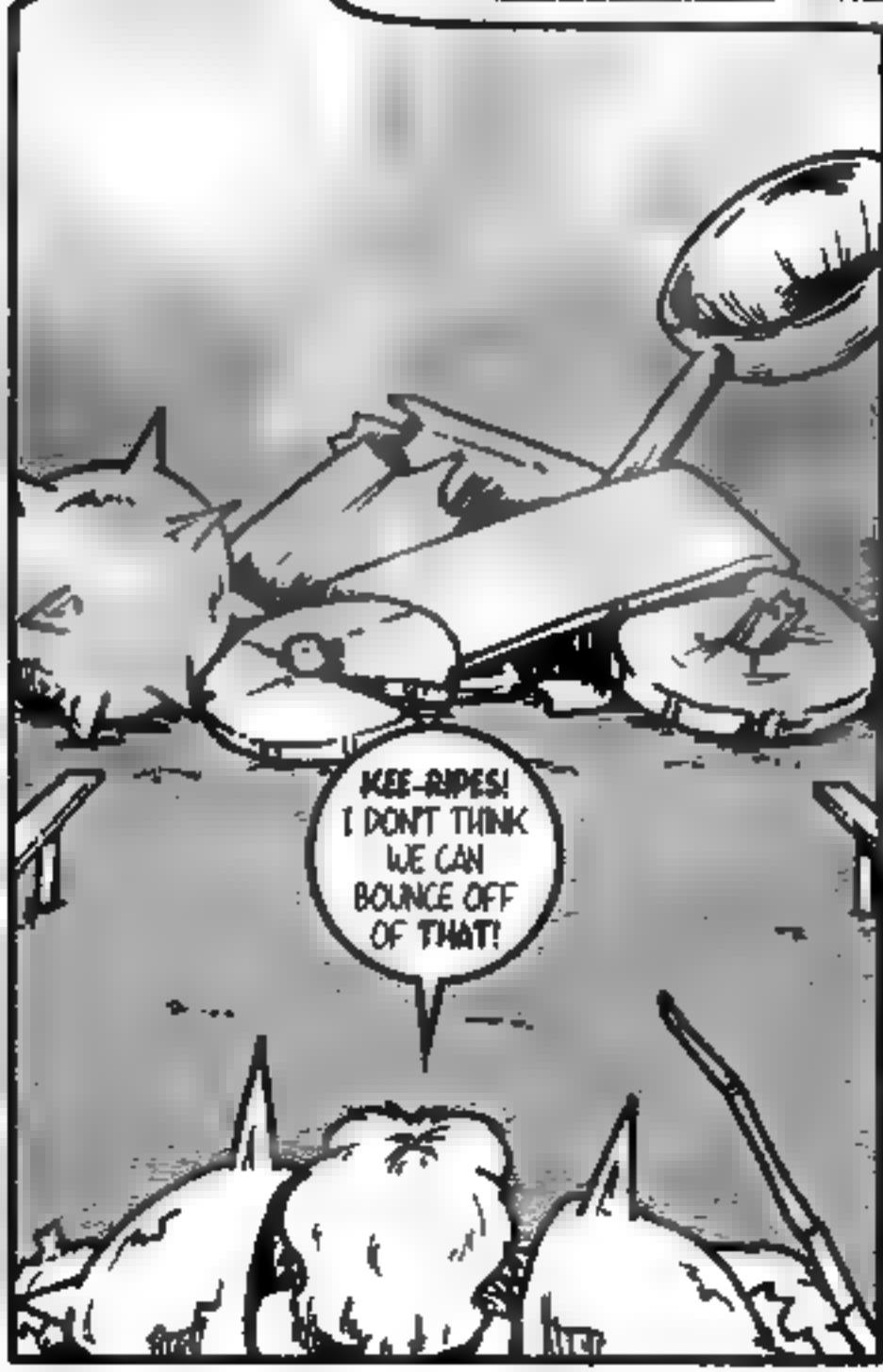
SO WHAT
ARE YOU GOING
TO DO?

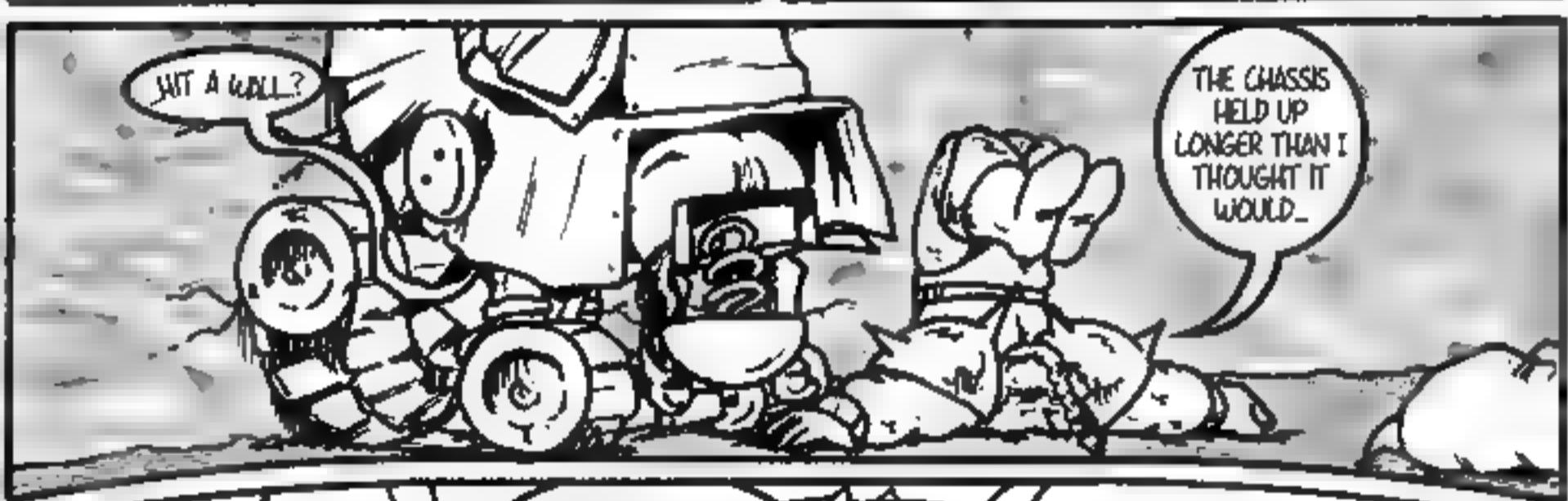
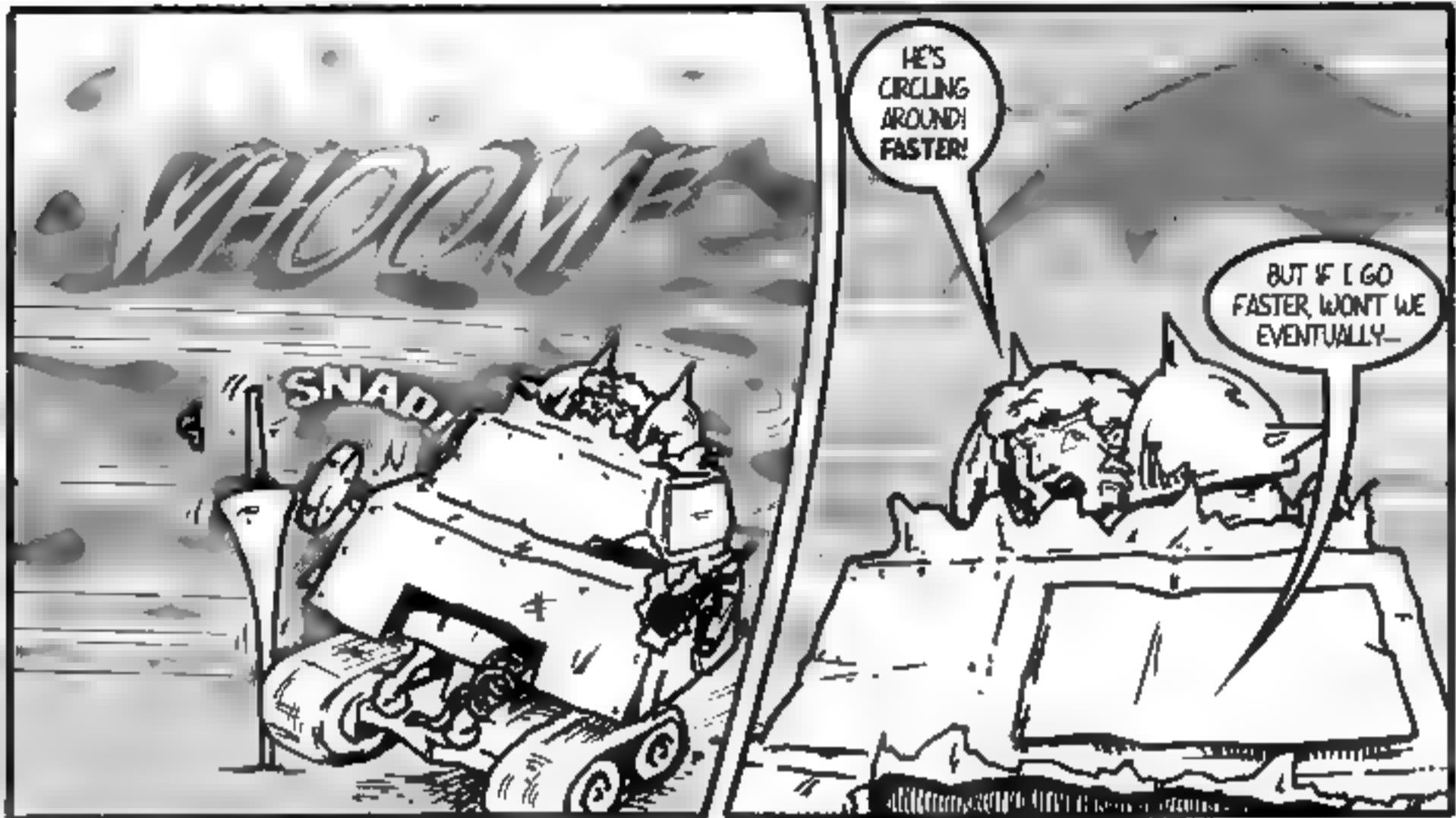
WHEN ALL ELSE FAILS,
TAKE THE DIRECT APPROACH!
FULL MENCH AHEAD!

TAKE COVER, SPORTS
FANS! THERE'S LIKELY TO BE SHRAPNEL
FROM THIS ONE!

SHREK-ZAPPA-BOOM!









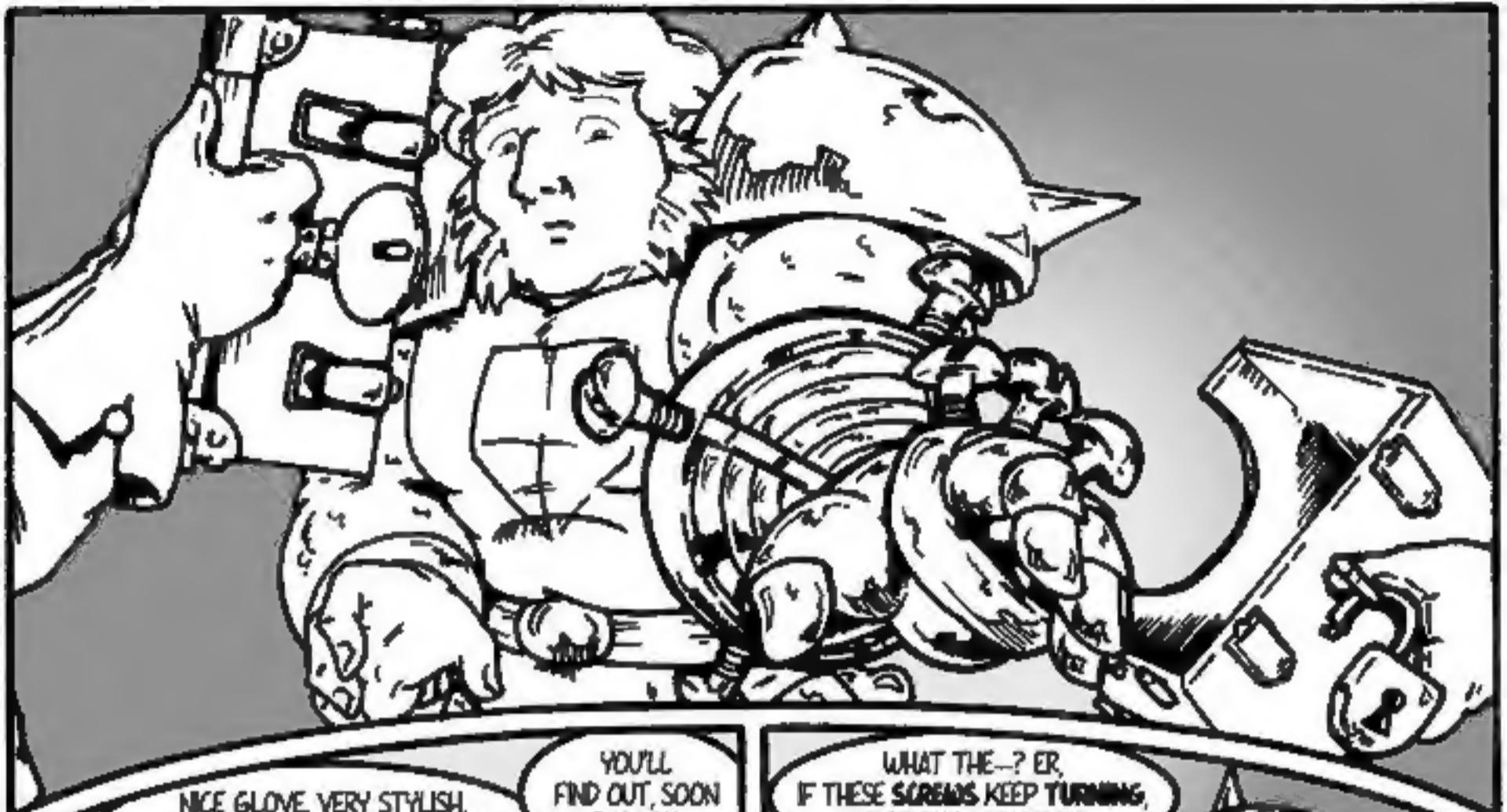
I DECLARE YEAGAR, WARRIOR OF
RENDAM, TO BE THE WINNER OF THIS
TOURNAMENT! HE HAS BROUGHT JOY TO MY
EYES IN THE SUNSET OF MY LIFE, GIVING US
ALL A SPECTACLE TO BE RETOLD
FOR AGES HENCE!

NOBLE VICTOR, PUT
FORTH YOUR HAND TO
CLAIM YOUR PRIZE!

WHAT, LIKE
THIS?

THAT
WILL DO.

HEY! WHAT ARE
YOU DOING?!





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